

FORMOSA

L.T. Delco. Tues, Apr. 26 - '55.

Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, today, came forward with proposals - - - that might bring about a conference with Red China.

The principal point in dispute has been the question - - - whether or not Nationalist China should participate in negotiations for a settlement in the Far East.

at the Bandung Conference, which ended yesterday, the Foreign Minister of Red China made the suggestion - - - that his government would welcome discussions with the United States. But Chou En-Lai declared - - - he would not go into any meeting with the Chiang Kai Shek regime. That was repeated yesterday by the Peiping Red radio - - - which rejected any conference in which the Chinese Nationalists might be represented. Meanwhile, our State Department kept insisting - - - that we would not attend any such meeting without Nationalist China.

Today, at a news conference, Secretary Dulles seemed to cut - - - - that "Gordian Knot". He said - - - - Chiang Kai Shek must be represented at any discussion of the future of Formosa. But added - - - - that we might confer with the Chinese Reds alone - - - in the matter of a cease fire along the China coast. (Which might, presumably, include the ~~subject~~ subject of those off shore islands, the Quemoy and Matsu groups. In other words, by leaving out the fate of Formosa, itself - - - we could go into a conference at which Nationalist China might not be represented, *except by us.*)

This proposal, advanced by the Secretary of State, was promptly echoed by Senator George of Georgia - - - chairman of ^{the} Foreign Relations Committee. Who, all along - - - has been urging that we should look into the Chou En-~~lai~~ ^{Lai} suggestion of a conference. Senator George, in

fact, goes a bit further than the Dulles compromise, ~~offered today~~. He says - - - we can't possibly discuss the fate of Formosa without having Chiang Kia Shek in on the discussion. But he notes - - - that we might ~~have discussions~~ ^{meet} with the Reds and the Nationalist regime separately. In other words, confer with one - - - then with the other.

That might seem to be a neat solution - - since the Nationalists, themselves, ~~XXXX~~ declare they won't go into any conference with the Communists. In this, they echo the Reds. The two hostile parties - - - refusing to have anything to do with each other. So we might be - - - a sort of middle man. That would seem to be the meaning of the proposal made by Senator George.

Secretary Dulles declares - - - we must have some evidence in good faith, before

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of the May 2nd conference - - - to arrange a withdrawal of all occupation troops.

And Moscow, today agreed to still

another conference - - - talks with Japan, ~~with~~

The meeting - - - to be held in London,

negotiate for an end of the state of war. Which

still exists, formally- - - between Russia and

Japan.

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PLANE

A wierd aerial melodrama, abroad, ended today - - in flaming tragedy. Four persons killed, when a runaway plane crashed into a house.

The melodrama began in England, when a half-trained air student sneaked off in a plane - - - making an unauthorized flight. A young Indian, named Manik Agnani, who had taken several flying lessons. They say he was homesick for India - - - although it seems hardly possible that he thought he could fly all the way to southern Asia.

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meant - - - the runaway plane had crashed.

But then word came - - - from France.

A plane - - - on an erratic flight. The Indian student had swooped low, and gone speeding across the Channel.

Then came with a flaming crash, into a French home. Tragic loss of lives - - - including that of the runaway pilot.

EXPLOSION

There was a disastrous explosion at the Newport, Rhode Island, Naval Base today. In a building testing torpedoes, mines and depth charges. Shortly before noon - - - a terrific blast with ^{five}~~four~~ lives lost, ^{and} five persons injured, ~~one mission~~. All - - - civilian employees. The explosion knocked out one wall of the building and blew the roof off. Cause of the accident - - - unknown.

TRADE

The Hospital report is that Actress
The Senate Finance Committee voted approval

today - for President Eisenhower's trade program.

The liberalized measure, without crippling amendments

got an overwhelming committee vote, twenty-one to

three. (This is one of the most controversial of the

bills proposed by the President, and faces considerable

opposition from conservatives in his own party.

Today's committee action, however, would seem to

indicate -- eventual passage by Congress.

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ACTRESS

The Hospital report is that Actress Susan Hayward is coming around alright. Recovering - - - from an overdose of sleeping pills. She would have been a goner however, if it hadn't been for her Mother- - - and prompt action by the police.

Early today, the Mother of the movie actress telephoned the Hollywood police, and said: "My daughter is Susan Hayward, and I am afraid she is going to ~~XXXXXXXX~~ commit suicide." She added that her daughter had just called her, and said, : "Don't worry, Mother, you will be taken care of."

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It isn't clear what the motive was - -
for attempted suicide. But Susan Hayward had
marital troubles, which hit the headlines.
Quarreling - - - with her former husband, Jess
Barker, over the custody of their children.

In New Orleans, the former husband
was much affected by the news - - - and ~~was~~ ^{is} now
~~ready to fly~~ ^{is} to the bedside of the stricken actress.

ATOMIC

The Atomic Explosion had to be postponed, again, today. Weather - - - - not right. Weather, in fact - - - all wrong.

A gale, up to seventy five miles an hour. Whipping across the desert. Creating - - - a sand storm worthy of the Sahara. Along the highways, visibility - - - down to fifty feet. The violent wind, full of fine particles, — virtually sand blasting automobiles.

The word from Las Vegas is that it seems unlikely that an atomic explosion can be staged even tomorrow - - - although the weatherman says the wind storm will die down during the night.

This atomic news gives the cue to a weather report for the Pacific Coast. Wind storms - - - all the way down from northern California.

In the Sierras - - - a blizzard.

The snow extending -- far inland. In Salt Lake City - wintry scenes today. A heavy snowfall. The passes in the Wasatch Mountains blocked by snow.

GLIDER

Over the High Sierras, violent winds tore a glider to pieces. In it - - - the co-holder of the world's altitude record of glider flights. Larry Edgar has made many an exciting ascent - - - on wings without a motor. (Including the time, in 1952, when he with a co-pilot - - - soared to an altitude of forty-two - thousand, - two-hundred feet, the world's record. But he will never forget ^{this latest} ~~what happened~~ over the lofty mountains, ~~yesterday~~.)

He told the story, today ^{at} ~~how~~ he went soaring up to thirty-nine thousand feet, in his big sail plane. All - - - smooth and serene, until he was on his way down. ~~At~~ fifteen thousand feet, gliding over the Sierras, the glider was hit by violent winds. The slip-stream - - - which blows up the steep slopes of the mountains. ~~The~~ ^{his} sail plane - - - torn to pieces by the violence of the blast. The glider champ - - - bailing out, hitting the silk.

While the wind blew the wreckage of his

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glider, Larry Edgar came parachuting down - - -
and landed safely.

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~~lecturing~~ - - - on the Atomic Bomb. The professor was

describing to the students the stupendous roar of the Atomic blast - - - when at that moment, Roy had his ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ explosion on the floor above. The class listening to the Atomic lecture, thought - - - that was it. They say you never saw so many students running so fast.

As for Roy he was - - - perforated. His legs, chest and arms - - peppered by the ~~XXXXXXXX~~ barrage of glass. They took him to a hospital, where the doctors extracted one hundred pieces of glass from his legs alone - - - the larger pieces. As for the smaller slivers, they couldn't do anything. They just left them in Roy's legs saying - - - ~~he'd~~ ^{he'd} never run in a track meet again.

But Roy thought otherwise.

"I decided", he says, "to ignore what the doctors told me. So I went out for the track team again."

With all that glass in him, he found it

painful even to walk. But, stubbornly, he jogged around the track every day.

Glass kept coming out of his body. Today he said:
"Only yesterday I pulled another piece of glass out of my left hand. It was about one fourth of an inch long."

So that's the college athlete, now training for the two-mile race. No wonder they say -- he runs on "legs of glass."

And now a final verbal sprint for you, Hugh.